

04-141 Office of the Attorney General

Agency Description

Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General, is to achieve excellence by providing superior public legal representation, professional and effective law enforcement, and assertive public advocacy to the State of Louisiana in the most efficient and cost-effective manner possible.

The goals of the Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General, are:

1. Provide superior legal and professional services to the State of Louisiana.
2. Develop a working environment that encourages competent individuals to pursue career employment in the Department of Justice.
3. Develop a state-of-the-art management information system.
4. Improve the process of recovering monies owed to the State of Louisiana and limit the liabilities of the state.
5. Improve cooperative working relationships with federal, state, and local agencies and private sector organizations.
6. Establish criteria for measuring activity.
7. Make public service information accessible to the citizens of Louisiana.

The Department of Justice is under the direction of the Attorney General, who is authorized under Article IV, Section 8, of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, to exercise all functions related to being the chief legal officer of the state. The Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General, has five programs: Administrative, Civil Law, Criminal Law and Medicaid Fraud, Risk Litigation, and Gaming.

AGENCY BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 2000-2001	ACT 12 2001-2002	EXISTING 2001-2002	CONTINUATION 2002-2003	RECOMMENDED 2002-2003	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$11,345,622	\$10,572,186	\$10,787,700	\$11,166,535	\$10,571,255	(\$216,445)
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	1,259,059	1,733,484	1,733,484	12,715,137	12,564,511	10,831,027
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	11,834,051	16,374,807	16,454,807	5,361,484	5,443,925	(11,010,882)
Statutory Dedications	2,821,287	4,733,786	4,985,266	5,091,650	4,922,959	(62,307)
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	1,360,534	1,571,115	1,909,212	1,707,008	1,608,783	(300,429)
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$28,620,553	\$34,985,378	\$35,870,469	\$36,041,814	\$35,111,433	(\$759,036)
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administrative	\$2,984,939	\$3,193,614	\$3,497,602	\$3,261,414	\$3,106,925	(\$390,677)
Civil Law	6,974,790	10,978,650	11,253,686	11,246,489	10,848,098	(405,588)
Criminal Law and Medicaid Fraud	4,686,715	5,109,498	5,115,611	5,555,354	5,031,108	(84,503)
Risk Litigation	10,515,780	11,071,492	11,076,492	11,071,900	10,958,773	(117,719)
Gaming	3,458,329	4,632,124	4,927,078	4,906,657	5,166,529	239,451
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$28,620,553	\$34,985,378	\$35,870,469	\$36,041,814	\$35,111,433	(\$759,036)
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME EQUIVALENTS: Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	443	453	453	453	443	(10)
TOTAL	443	453	453	453	443	(10)

The Table of Organization (T.O.) has been adjusted to reflect 1 Other Charges position transferred to the authorized T.O. for fiscal year 2002-2003.